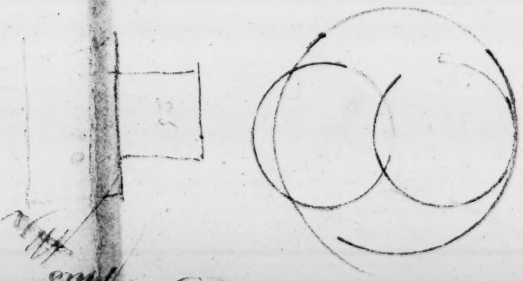
Feb 17. 1836

H. Benning's Note
asking for Special Attorney
for Wesley —

was ordered at once
countermanded by Mr B
on the ground of his position
& no process suspended
until Sunday 13th inst
by said Capt. his Battn
with drew, his application
to revoke the Com to
proceed

Mr Walker at same
time said he concurred
fully in the plan of
alterations & revoke the
Com. to proceed



Dear Sir,

I think the subject submitted to the last Vestry had better be submitted to another Vestry for consideration. I am persuaded, that for a point of no moment to the Committee or to the general plan of attention, we are about to encounter a serious prejudice, and in some instances an undoubted right. We think (H) We therefore suggest are desirous of a special meeting, which you can call tomorrow or any subsequent meeting this week that will suit your convenience.

Respectfully Yrs

Hon: Benney

Feb 17/1836

W. Kempton Esq

Dear Sir

I enclose to you a Warrant of Christ Church, a Letter of resignation as Vestryman of Christ Church addressed to Bishop White, may I beg of you so to dispose of it as to meet the purpose intended and thereby oblige.

Your friend & Sir

Wm Rich

H Kempton Esq

Phil.a March 11. 1836

To
Moses Kempton Esq
President

March 14. 1836
Commodore Henry Eaton Esq

New York 5th April 1836

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 31st Ult. is received. Should you not be desirous of commencing the alterations in Christ Church in the early part of the Summer and of course cannot remove the gallery, under the Organ is taken down, for me to do that in the month of June will be attended with considerable inconvenience without I could dispose of it in some way or other — when it is taken to pieces it will occupy considerable room — and I am at a loss to know where to put it. — Would it not be well to advertize it for sale for Philadelphia, in some country, as well as City papers, and if a purchaser should offer even at a very low price say $500 — if more cannot be obtained — let him have it. — With Respect to the new Organ, I do not think it will be possible to finish it sooner than the time mentioned in the contract — I presume you as well as Mr Binney have been expecting to receive the drawing for the exterior of the Organ — it is now preparing and in the course of a few days will be forwarded to you for approbation

Very Respectfully

Yr. Mo. Ob. Sert.

E. G. Clarke

Moses Hemplen Esqr

Phila

New York 5 April 1836

Henry Eeber

Ans. 13 April

Informing him the Exrs
commence alterations in
the Church on Monday
13 June — & shall expect him
to have persons there on that
day to remove the Organ

Allen Adelphia

Auctions, & inventory the Organ
in the Church for Sale —
proper

Messrs Simpson Esqr

No 2

1836

Dr Sir.

About our grave yard. I have been spoken to, with such an exhibition of feeling on the part of the informant, Specting for himself and his family, about the exposed situation of our grave yard, that I immediately promised to write to you. A family under deep affliction from the loss of a member, recently interred, is greatly pained: fence all down. The particular complaint is, that what partakes of private property is not adequately protected by us. Rude wretches cut their meat, and cut off the tablet of a vault, perhaps dirt thin too, and a part, of the stone has actually been broken off. I would respectfully suggest that a temporary fence be put up, if the permanent wall cannot now be commenced

I remain very truly yrs

Charles Wheeler

Wm. Moses Hemphill

82 So. 3d St. Aph. 9/36.

Charles Wheeler
9 April 1836
on subject of South line
of Grave Yard

PHILADELPHIA, April 15 1836

SIR,

It is made my duty by the second Regulation of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, to give you notice, that the stated annual meeting of the Convention will be held in St Andrew's Church, in Phila. , county of Phila. , on Tuesday the 17th of May, 1836 at 6 o'clock, P.M.

If there be any vacant congregations in your neighbourhood, you will please to extend this notice to the church wardens and vestrymen of the same.

I am also directed to send to you, the following form of certificate for lay deputies to the Convention, which certificate must be in *writing*, and must be signed by a warden, or two vestrymen of the proper church, as directed by Canon XIII., a copy of which is herewith transmitted, together with an extract from the fourth article of the Constitution.

I am likewise directed, by a resolution of the Convention of 1832, to send to you the annexed form of a *Parochial Report*, "with a request that it be filled up, and handed or sent to the Bishop, to be read at the annual Convention."

EXTRACT FROM THE FOURTH ARTICLE OF THE CONSTITUTION.

"Each regularly established Protestant Episcopal Church in this state, now a member, or which shall hereafter be admitted a member of the Convention, may send to the Convention, a lay deputy or deputies, not exceeding three in number, to be elected by the vestry of the said church: *Provided* that no person shall be competent to serve as deputy, unless he has been a worshipper in the church he represents, six calendar months next before his election.

"When two or more churches are united under one vestry, deputies may be sent from each church, subject to the proviso aforesaid.

"The deputation from each church shall be entitled to one vote, and no more.

"No deputation from any church shall be entitled to a vote at the same Convention at which the church shall be admitted as a member."

CANON XIII.

Of the evidence of the appointment of Lay Deputies to the Convention.

"The appointment of lay deputies to the Convention of this diocese, shall be certified in writing by a warden, or two vestrymen, of the proper church; and the certificate shall state, that the deputy, or each deputy named in it, if the certificate be for more than one, is, and has also been for not less than six months before the time of his election, a worshipper in the church or parish he is deputed to represent. And no other certificate or evidence of the appointment of any lay deputy or deputies to the Convention of this diocese shall be allowed or received. A copy of this canon shall be annually sent, by the secretary of the Convention, to every church in this diocese, with the notice of the meeting of the Convention."

FORM OF THE CERTIFICATE.

It is hereby certified, that, at a meeting of the vestry of Church, in in the county of , held on the day of 18 , Mr. was duly elected a lay deputy to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, to be held in on the day of next; and that the said deputy is now, and has also been for not less than the six calendar months next before his election, a worshipper in the said Church.

Dated this of 18

} *Warden.*

} *Vestrymen.*

N. B. If more than one deputy be chosen, a certificate in the above form may be given to each, or the names of all may be included in one certificate, varying the language accordingly.

I have the honour to be, very respectfully, yours,

Wm Cooper Mead.

} *Secretary of the Convention.*

I am directed to call your attention to the following extracts from the Journals of the Conventions of 1834 and 1835, which you are requested to lay before the vestry or vestries of the church or churches under your charge.

(EXTRACT.)

"*Philadelphia, May* 22, 1834.

"The Rev. Dr. Upfold offered the following preamble and resolutions, seconded by the Rev. Mr. Sheets, which were adopted:—

Whereas, the frequent dissolution of the pastoral connection of the clergy with their congregations, cannot but be seriously detrimental to the prosperity of the parish or parishes immediately concerned, as well as to the general interests of religion and the church; and whereas, the cause of such dissolution is in a great measure to be attributed to the inadequate provision for the support of the clergy; and whereas, it is important that some remedy should be devised and used for an evil so serious—

"Therefore, Resolved, That it be earnestly recommended to the several congregations in the diocese, to adopt measures for obtaining by donation or purchase, lands for a glebe and parsonage houses, for the use of their respective ministers for the time being, in addition to the promised pecuniary stipend.

"Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to transmit a certified copy of the resolution to the wardens and vestrymen of such parishes in the diocese as he may deem expedient."

(EXTRACT.)

"*Philadelphia, May* 21, 1835.

"On motion of the Rev. Dr. Upfold,

"Resolved, That a printed circular be sent to each of the vestries of churches in this diocese, containing a certified copy of the preamble and resolution passed at the last Convention, on the subject of glebes and parsonage houses."

I do hereby certify that the above are true extracts from the Journals.

ATTEST.

WM. COOPER MEAD,

Secretary of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania.

TO THE RECTOR, CHURCHWARDENS, AND VESTRYMEN,
OF CHURCH,

GENTLEMEN:

At the late annual meeting of the Diocesan Convention, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That it be ENJOINED on every settled clergyman within the Diocese, to have a collection made in his church, IN EACH YEAR, in aid of the Convention Fund; at which time a statement shall be made, explaining the objects to which the fund is applied: That the names of the clergy be called over at each Convention, for the purpose of ascertaining whether such collections have been made in their respective churches; and that mileage be not allowed to any clergyman attending the Convention, unless a collection for the said purpose has been made in his church, since the preceding Convention.

Resolved, That the money so collected, shall be applied to the payment of expenses incurred, or authorized by the Convention.

Resolved, That the fourth revised regulation, adopted in 1829, entitled "Of the contributions for defraying the expenses incurred or authorized by the Convention," be rescinded.

The subscribers, a committee appointed for the purpose by the Convention, respectfully call your attention to the first of the foregoing resolutions, in the confidence that you will promptly respond to it, by having the contemplated collection made in your church, AT AS EARLY AND CONVENIENT AN OPPORTUNITY AS POSSIBLE.

To place the necessity of this measure in the strongest light, it will be sufficient to state, that the Treasury of the Convention is now exhausted, and that bills and liabilities of the Diocese to a considerable amount, remain to be provided for. For several years past, a portion of the Convention Fund has been appropriated towards defraying the expenses of the Clergy, in attending the meetings of the Convention. The advantages resulting from a general attendance of the Clergy are obvious, but the Convention being held in this city, and a large proportion of the Clergy residing at a distance, until the above equitable allowance was made, many were prevented from attending.

To provide a more certain and efficient system for defraying the above and other contingent expenses of the Diocese, the foregoing resolutions were adopted, and it is hoped, the propriety of them being obvious, and the want of funds urgent, that the collections enjoined by them will be made.

We are respectfully, your obedient servants,

WILLIAM COOPER MEAD,
JAMES S. SMITH,
TOBIAS WAGNER,
} Committee of the Convention.

The amount collected will be received by the Treasurer of the Convention, Mr. Tobias Wagner, No. 13, North Eighth Street, Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, April 15, 1836.

P H Nicholas No 2 of 6

~~Rec'd 3 Ch Sheets~~

~~Rec'd 3 Ch Sheets~~

Plat of Ch

Form
Certificate for Lay deputy
to Convention

for 1836. for Christ Church

Philip H Nicklin
James J Humphrys
William Smith

issued Respectively to each
one dated 3 May 1836

Jas
Thompsons

M Kempton Has the honour of acknowledging the receipt of Mr Hanna & Mr. Mc Mastus Note of 22 ins — stating "they had been informed an alteration in the Pews of Christ Church was contemplated & a request their Pew may not be devided" in answer M Kempton begs leave to inform them, The Plan of Alterations contemplated was consumated by the Vestry last year — By their authority the Contracts for the work has been made, which has been confirmed by the Vestry for the present year by two seperate Votes

If by the wish of Mrs Hanna & Mr Mc Mastus, M Kempton will lay their Note before Vestry at the next meeting —

As there has been some misunderstanding on the subject of the proposed Alterations of repewing the Church, M Kempton begs respectfully to state the Vestry having been fully impressed of the necessity of the measure for the best interest of the church ~~of the necessity~~ having spent much time in considering the matter & conferring with Architects adopted the plan with very great unanimity, ~~let it may be~~ said unanimously, one stating his objections on account of the cost, one other to make all single pews, Mr Binney very earnestly advocated single Pews, said there never should have been permitted double Pews in a Church, the Rector was in favour from all he said on the subject — to have double Pews gave opportunity for Vestry &c —

M Kempton Hopes the Labour of the Vestry in this matter will be for the best interest of the Church & when finished that the Congregation will all approve it

April 25th 1836

April 25 1835

Moses Hampton

to

Peter Harrison

&

A McAllister

on subject of Alleviation of

Duties —

To the Resolution Hose Company

Gentlemen

You are required to remove from and to deliver up the possession of the premises occupied by you on ~~the~~ North Fifth Street, viz at the South west corner of Christ Church Grave Yard.

Philadelphia 5th May 1836

Mans Kempton

Warden Christ Church

Delivered a Copy of the above Notice to Mr. Schaeffer corner 6th & Market Directed to him as President of the Revolution Hose Company

Thomas B. Lincoln

Thursday ~~Afternoon~~ 5th May 1836

Copy
Notice to Rhodes
& ase Capias to
deliver profert
dated 5 May 1836

May 13. 1836

P. H. Nicklen

on the subject of a special
Meeting of Vestry to Elect a
deputy to Convention in
place of Mr Smith

Mr Hepburn verbally
said to me he did not
think it necessary

Moses Kempton Esquire

Warden of
Christ Church

On Reporting to the Rector
the unfavorable reply of Mr Smith
attending Convention, he
requested me to see Mr Nicklen
& Mr Hepburn — the governing
by their opinion as to the
necessity of calling a Meeting
of Vestry to supply the vacancy
which I have done as above
M Kempton

Philada 13 May 1836

Dear Sir –

I have received your note of to day –

I regret that Mr Smith can not attend; but agree in the conclusion you have arrived at; that it is not absolutely necessary to elect another delegate –

Yours respectfully

Philip. H. Nicklin –

Moses Kempton Esquire –
one of the Wardens
of Christ Church

At a meeting of the Vestry of St. Peters Church, held May 16th 1836. The following resolution was adopted unanimously.

"Resolved, That an invitation be given to the Congregation of Christ Church to unite with us in Worship, during the time occupied in making the projected improvements in their own church."

Extract from the minutes

Francis Gurney Smith
Warden St. Peters Church

R. to the Rect & the Vestry of the Worship of God

May, 1836
Communication from Rectr & Vestry St. Peters Church inviting the Congregation of Christ Ch. to St. Pets Ch. during the time Ch. Ch. is undergoing repairs

Alfred Kempton Esq
Warden Christ Church
Philada

Dear Sir

A communication from the Vestry of Ch. Church on the subject of the election of the Treasurer of Ch. Ch. Hospital, which proposed to unite with the Vestry of St. Peters in applying to the Legislature for a law which would, without question, give to the Churches an equal voice in that matter has been received, but the action upon it has been delayed. Do you think it would be expedient to make the application during this session? If so, will you take measures for having a conference with our Committee at some convenient time & place to settle the form of memorial &c to be proposed?

Very Resp.y

Yr. Obed.t

Wm. Meredith

Ch. W.

St. Peters 17. May 36

Moses Jenkins Esq.
Ch. W. Ch. Ch.

17 Aug 1836

Wm Mundy Esq

Commdg Camden Yacht

Chas Hampton Esq

Dear Sir / Washington 27 May 1836.

The Bill to remit the duties on the bells intended for Christ's Church has not yet been acted upon in the Senate. Its phraseology must now be changed. I shall give it my particular attention & I entertain no doubt of its passage.

I would thank you to send me a certificate from the Collector of the amount of duties which has been paid & inform me of the name of your Corporation. ~~It will be necessary~~ This information may be necessary.

Yours very respectfully

James Buchanan

Mario Kempton Esq

6d/Mins $1.00

Free

James Buchanan

Maris Kempton Esquire

Philadelphia

PAID

23

Washington Feby 9. 1836

Dear Madam

I did speak

Washington 30 May 1836

Dear Sir /

The Bill to refund the duties on the two bells belonging to Christ's Church finally passed the Senate to day. I shall call upon Mr. Ingersoll & inform him that hereafter it will be in his charge.

Yours respectfully

James Buchanan

Mann Kempton Esquire

Washington 31 January 1856

Dear Madam

I am [illegible]
[illegible]

Mrs Kempton Esqre

Philadelphia

Free
James Buchanan

CITY OF WASH. JAN 1

Watson & Reed
No 82

Dear Sir

It is intended to begin taking down the Bank on monday. It will therefore be proper for the person you have employed to remove the roof up the sashing, to see Mr. Struthers, as soon as he can to make with him the necessary arrangements. If I can aid you any further than by this communication I will do so with pleasure.

Your truly
John Read

Moses Kempton Esq.

Moses Kempton Esq. Thursday 2. June 1836.

John Struthers - marble mason No. 358 High Street.

$1. Paid by Reed & Capron

June 1836
The Rose Bay
Insurance Company
of Philadelphia
$1 Paid

St. James's Church June 8th 1836.

At a meeting of the Vestry of St. James's Church, it was unanimously resolved that the Congregation of Christ be invited to worship in St. James's Church, until the improvements, proposed to be made in Christ Church, shall be completed - and that the Warden of that Church be so informed -

Extract from the minutes

John Read

Church Warden -

Dear Sir

I do myself the pleasure to enclose you a copy of a minute passed at the last meeting of the Vestry of St. James's Church, which I will thank you to have communicated to the members of Christ Church, in the way most convenient to make them acquainted with its purport & intent.

Yours respectfully
John Read

June 9th 1836.

Moses Kempton Esq.

9 June 1836

Lot Rucker Esq

with Rt Nesbitt of

St James Church

inviting the Congregation

of Christ Church to

St James

during Repairs of Ch Ch

Moore Hamilton Esqr

Philadelphia June 23rd 1836

Moses Kempton Esq

Dear Sir

As I am about leaving the City for some time, I herewith send you my Check for One thousand Dollars, part of my subscription for Loan to Christ Church, the residue you will call at my Counting house for, as you do from others, the Certificate for the Loan you will please mention in the receipt will be sent to me when ready.

Please send me as promised a Copy of the resolution of Vestry and oblige Your friend & Servant

Wm Fisher

Moses Kempton Esq.

Philad.a

29 Jan 1846
Henry Pratt Esq
Mahantongo Street
Near Church

Treasury Department
July 28th 1856

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 26th instant respecting a return of the duty paid upon certain Bells imported for the use of Christ Church in the City of Philadelphia authorized to be refunded under the act of Congress approved the 2nd instant I have to acquaint you that the Collector of the port has been instructed to refund the amount of duties paid in this case in accordance with the provisions of the act referred to.

I am very respectfully
Your Obt Servant

Lewis Woodbury
Act Secy of the Treasury

Moses Kimpton Esq
Philadelphia

Treasury Department

Levi Woodbury

Moses Kenstm Esquire

Philadelphia

Washington 23d 1838

Sir, Yesterday

del. Treasury

on the subject

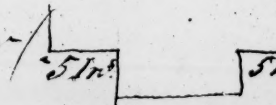
lately mentioned

Duty drawback

New York 14th July 1836

Dear Sir

Yours of the 11th Inst. did not reach me until yesterday too late to answer by return of mail and consequently I was obliged to delay it until to day -

With respect to the increase of dimensions of the Ag over the depth of 11 ft 6 Inches was originally measured from from the square base of the instrument, and it was always intended that there should be a projection under the centre tower, for two reasons, one is, that the Agamist by sitting at that distance from the body of the instrument is enabled to hear the effect he produces, and can accommodate the power of the Agan to the voices, which it is impossible he could do if he sat close to it with pipes projecting over his head - the second reason is for the appearance, for although the pipes might have been supported otherwise, yet they would have looked insecure if the pedestal had not rested on the Gallery floor, the side projections which are 5 Inches from the corner  are introduced for the sake of uniformity of appearance in the towers, for as the centre is supported by a pedestal from the floor, there would be an impropriety in omitting them at the sides - The additional post in wedel was taken for the better accommodation of the interior work, and was supposed to be unobjectionable as there is plenty of wedth in the Gallery - The entrance

Height of the Organ from the gallery floor to the top of the Ornament in the Centre tower is 29 feet 6 Inches & but the greatest height required at the back is 23 feet as many of the large pipes stand towards the front of the Organ

The bellows lever can be placed at a distance of 3 ft or 3 ft 6 Inches from the back. With respect to the Space required in front of the Organ for the accommodation of the singers I should think 6 feet will be sufficient upon this subject however Mr Standbridge from your Organ will be better able to judge, that was the original calculation but if more room can be spared it will certainly render the Choir more commodious

Very Respectfully
Yr Obt Servt
Thos Hall

Moses Hompson Esqr
Phila

Moses Kempton Esq.

Philadelphia

Steamboat 11 Oct 1824

Mr Hare

August 13 1836

Dear Sir

As it is necessary we should have some work done before the season of frost when your Iron Houses now stands, I am the goodness to inform me, at what time you will come it, that ~~the necessary arrangements~~ may be made arrangements with the workmen,

I presume your Company fully understand the absolute necessity of removal, & I will take this opportunity of informing you, Complaints have been made on of the water passing into the vault in which interments have been made, this fact alone would be sufficient to render it the duty of Vestry to make a change. The good feeling on this subject that has ~~been~~ existed between you & myself I hope extends to all your Members & with a desire to accomodation & preservation of such feelings between them & the Vestry, I trust you as you know ~~have taken~~ took on myself the responsibility of not insisting on the removal, I hope this will be considered by you & I do earnestly & affectionately request I may be spared the painful necessity of ~~a recourse to legal Measures~~ adopting any unpleasant course - ~~I take~~ My best ~~With Her Lady~~, wishes for the prosperity of ~~your~~ the Members of the Company & the continued usefulness of your Institution, I pray ~~that~~ that I am and all of us may cultivate that good Spirit of peace, & love & goodwill to others may ~~govern~~ govern all our Resolutions

with great Respect

I remain

Warden

To M. Schaffer

Pres. Resolution Iron Company

P.S. An early answer is requested

13 Aug 1836

Rets. Warden & Ch

Mr. Schaffer Pa

Resolution Harm Co

MKdW

Phila. Aug. 20th 1836.

Dear Sir,

Allow me to beg the favour of yr. to transmit the enclosed letters to Mrs James, the widow of our deceased friend, the Revd J. A. James, & to his father. Unacquainted as I am with their address, I know not how to convey them safely to their hands. But you will know. The enclosed contain resolutions passed last week by the Sunday School board, in relation to the distressing event of the death of that truly excellent, & justly lamented, man.

With great respect, Dear Sir,

Yr. friend & servant.

Henry C. Ducachet

Wm Kempton

Warden of Christ Church

Philadelphia.

30 Aug 1836

MECW

Hot Springs 25 August 1830

My dear Sir —

Your favour of the 19 instant reached me last night. The day before, a Philad^a paper had brought me the melancholy intelligence of the death our beloved and estimable Rector — I am greatly distressed by this event; for I have lost a dear friend & valuable spiritual guide, and our beloved Christ Church has lost an upright and prudent Rector, a faithful and zealous preacher, and a religious & assiduous shepherd of the flock.

Where shall we find such another?

I heard this morning from a Clergyman, that Dr Johns is pledged to remain with his congregation in Baltimore. & that Fredericktown would not be a good place for us to choose a rector from, because the practice of the Church there is very irregular. I shall leave this region in two weeks for home, & hope to arrive in Philad^a by the 15 of September, & I shall make every enquiry that I can, relative to the subject of your letter.

It is exceedingly important to our Church, that we should make a good choice, therefore we should not be hasty, but take time for deliberation and advisement.

I remain My dear Sir
yours very respectfully
Philip R Nicklin —

Moses Rampton Esquire —

Single
Hot Springs Va
26th Aug. 53

1854

Moses Kempton Esquire

Warden of Christ Church

Philadelphia

Miss Sharpe Dr.
29 Aug. 1854
To Mr Stratton

Philada 13th Sept 1836

Sir

From and after the 25th of this month (when the Semi-annual payments become due) it is my desire to relinquish to the Church, the pew No 24 South Aisle, upon condition, in case of Sale, of my receiving such proportion of the purchase money as is allowed by the Bye-laws of the Church. As the locality of this Pew is desirable, I have little doubt of a Sale being easily effected. I would further observe that I claim only two sittings, the others having been forfeited to the Church and rented by me for several years past.

I wish to rent one or more seats (as may be required) in the Gallery, to entitle myself and family to the right of Burial in Christ Church ground — my children are all young:- the lowest priced sittings ($3.50 per annum) will answer my purposes as well as any others.

Should there be any thing in the above proposition, contrary to the regulations of the Church, I should be pleased (if not too great a tax on your valuable time) to hear from you

With great respect

Yours &c

Robt Heysham

Moses Kempton Esq
Church Warden

Moses Kempton Esq
Church Warden of
Christ Church. Present

Dayton Ohio Sept 27th 1830.

My dear Brother

Inclosed is a letter to Mr Hampton on the subject of my Seat in Christ Church, which you will please deliver to him after you have Consulted with Dr Ash. or any other Member of the family you may think proper, provided that you Should not wish to occupy them yourself: in which case I assign all my right to you; otherwise to Seat Person as you may think proper, & take my chance a Seat to myself when I visit the City, all the Seats must be taken before my Exp. I am afraid Mr Hobbie for the privilege of pew in Christ Church Dayton.

We are all well, with a few days exception my also. Love from all to all. & particularly from your affect Bro

Michael Ross

Geny Ms 76th Expm

For value received I transfer and assign unto my Brother John M. Ash all my right and title to the within assign-ment of seats in Christ Church. Witness my hand this Sixth day of October A.D. 1836

Geo. W. Ash

Sep 27. 1830

M W Ash

transfer of Penny

in Ch. Ch.

Dear Sir,

Dayton Ohio September 27th 1836.

In answer to yours must excuse my saying of the
on the subject of my seat in the new Christ Church I will refer you
to my Brother Jno M. Ash — Treasurer of the Girard Trust Company &c
of Philadelphia, for an answer respecting the letting of them — Who will
most cheerfully communicate with you on the subject

Mrs Wm Ash &
my self deeply sympathize with you in the afflictive dispensation of Providence
which has deprived you of one of the oldest ministers of this Altar, as well
as of one of the best of men; and although he has gone to inherit the
promise held out in the Gospel of our Lord & Master, yet are poor, human,
selfish Beings sorrow as men for the deprivation of his society and example
not like those "who have no hope," as I trust, but merely as Human Beings
acted upon by the motives which impel all humanity to utter sighs
which Angels should rejoice —

Mrs Ash desires her kind remembrance
to you & thanks you for your favourable mention of her name; and I will add
my own for the same reason although less worthy on my own, as well as your
opinion —

I am Dear Sir, with our best wishes for your
& Mrs Compton health & happiness — Yr ob. Son & friend
Michael Ash

Sept 27. 1826
W. W. Ash
respecting Penn

Nicholas Kempton Esq.
Senior Warden
of Christ Church

Philad.a

Oct. 17. 1836.

Dear Sir,

At a meeting of "the Trustees of the Academy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the City of Philadelphia", held on the 13th inst, the Resolutions of which I am directed to enclose you a Copy, were unanimously adopted.—

I am, dear Sir,

Very Respectfully Yours

Horace Binney Jr.

Secretary.—

Dec 17. 1836

H. Benning Esq

Indemnity Resolutions

Pres. Ept Academy

J. W. JAMES

Thos. Fleming Esq.

Dear Sir —

Messrs Kempton
Warden of Christ Church

I agree to take the House
No 124 North front Chestnut at $125. payable quarterly
for My Parlor in Lieut Mc Havens Tenement & I
Guarantee the punctual payment of the Rent

Phila. October 19. 1831

James Brown

Oct 19. 1836

James Brown

Agreement for

House N° 124 Nassau

front Sketch

10/2/32

Wm Moses Kempton
Warden of Christ Church

Dear Sir

I perceive that according to the 34th Laws of the Church, the two single Pews (formerly one double one) belonging to the Estate of my Father, will not exclusively in me, it is my wish to transfer as many Pews as I do not intend to use for myself, above the three Numbers of the Family, but standing by the strict interpretation of the Bye Laws, that this cannot be done without paying an extra part of such Sum as the Vestry may fix, altho such legislation has never hitherto been extended to the case of Grand Children of the deceased. I yet wish to bring it down the Vestry should you

9/ Dr. T. H. Wick

1/ Ditto - Esther W. Mackinson
Elizabeth Mackinson
Ann E. Monson
Hetta A. Monson
Wm W. Monson

Wm Moses Kempton
Warden of Christ Church

Dear Sir

I perceive that according to the 34th Laws of the Church, the two single Pews formerly one double one) belonging to the Estate of my Father, will not exclusively in me, it is my wish to transfer as many Pews as I do not intend to occupy for myself, & those the other Members of the Family, but finding by the strict interpretation of the 34th Laws, that this cannot be done without paying an additional part of such Sum as the Vestry may fix, altho' such legislation has never hitherto been extended to the case of Grand Children of the deceased, I yet wish to be informed down any thing, until I know what course the Vestry will adopt in this business. Which I take leave to

to ascertain

I am Respectfully
Thos Pole Coate

Oct 6 1836

Mr Moses Kempston
Warden of Christ Church

Oct 24. 1836
Ship Pilot

Whereas, the death of the Rev. John W. James, — an event deeply afflicting to the Church at large, — is particularly felt by the Trustees of this Academy, in depriving the Institution of one of its most valued Members, — And whereas the character of their personal as well as of their official relations with their late Apociate, calls for an expression of the feelings of the Trustees on this occasion, as not less due to themselves than to the memory of their friend, therefore Resolved, that the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Academy, deeply lament the removal by death of their late friend and Apociate, the Reverend John Waller James, both as a severe loss to the Trust in whose management he shared with them, and to which he gave his counsels, his services and his regular attendance, — as the occasion of profound grief to the Church at whose altars he so faithfully ministered, and of which he was a daily brightening ornament.

Resolved; That the Trustees especially sympathise with the twice bereaved Congregation of Christ Church, — who, while yet mourning the loss of their time honoured Rector, have so soon been called to follow to an early grave his young Succapor, — whose short life, as full of active usefulness as of future promise, was mainly devoted to their service, — and whose last thoughts, upon a death-bed of more than common trial, — were of them, & their eternal welfare.

Resolved; That the situation of the two children of Mr James, now reduced, by the very recent and melancholy death of his widow, to absolute orphanage, excites the liveliest sensibility on the part of the Trustees,

and that if in the judgment of the guardian of the children, the instruction which this Academy can furnish, may be made available for their education, — its extension to them is gladly pledged by the Trustees, as the most appropriate recognition of the services rendered to the Institution by their Father — and as an evidence of the estimate formed by the Trustees personally of the active virtues of his life, and of their affectionate regard for his memory. —

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to transmit to the Wardens of Christ Church, and the brother of the Rev. Mr. James, a copy of the foregoing Resolutions."

A true Copy.

Certified by

Horace Binney Jr.

Secretary. —

Resolutions
of Protestant Episcopal
Academy
respecting R. I. W. Sawyer
& his children
Oct 1836

Mr. Moses Kempton, New York Nov. 10. 1836.

Dear Sir,

I have delayed answering your letter for a few days, under the hope that I might hear of some one whom I could recommend as a suitable successor of the late esteemed & lamented Rector of Christ Church; not having any Gentleman in view at the time you wrote that was obtainable, & at the same time such a man as would suit you. Even now I am at a loss to speak definitely on the subject. I think the Clergyman whom you mention would not answer your wishes for the reason you mention and others. Mr. Bingham of Hartford, Dr. Wainwright of Providence, & Dr. Colton of Bristol are in my opinion deserving of your attention. I believe either of them, if to be had, would give entire satisfaction. I have also a very favorable opinion of Mr. Bowman of Lancaster, Mr. Cairns of Edenton N. C. & Mr. Henderson of Newark, N. J.

But, except Dr. Colton, all the clergymen above named have charge of congregations, and I can neither answer for their willingness to change their residence, or to become residents of Philadelphia.

The last named gentleman is I presume well known to you. His piety, talents, & learning, and his ability as a preacher united in my view make him in all respects worthy of the station. I consider him a most estimable man & that there is nothing connected with his relinquishment of the Presidency of Bristol College that ought to lessen our esteem for him. ~~as~~

I remain, with my best wishes that you may soon be suitably supplied,

Your faithful friend
& Servt.

James Mulvey

Mr. Moses Kempton

Philadelphia

Confederate
Mrs. Jane Allen
New Orleans
1863

[Dec., 1836]

Thursday Evening.

Dear Sir

By the advice of Mr. Nicklin, I send you the two letters enclosed. May I ask if you will be so kind to make arrangements for Mr. Peck's preaching at St. Church on Sunday? If any other arrangements are made, of course, they can be changed, unless you have a candidate before you. Mr. Peck will be found at the American House.

Yr. friend Govt.

H. A. Ducachet

No. 8 Grand Place.

Miss Louisa Hallowell

Miss Louisa Hallowell

New York, December 6. 1876.

Dear Dorter.

It gives me much pleasure to introduce to you, and commend to your friendly regards and attentions, the Rev. Isaac Peck, a worthy Presbyter of this Diocese. Being at present unsettled, he purposes visiting Philadelphia, and would be glad of an opportunity of being known to some of the leading gentlemen of Christ Church. As my brother is from home, I ask, to this end, the friendly offices of yourself and Dr. De Lancey. I regard Mr. Peck as a clergyman of more than ordinarily respectable qualifications, sound in principles, and good in heart. He would be make a favourable impression in Christ Church, and be called

there. I think you will find him a neighbour entitled to your full confidence, esteem, and respect.

Very sincerely Yours,
Dear Doctor,
Your friend and brother,
Benj: F Anderson.

Dr. D. Duncklet.

The Rev.

Henry W. Durrett, M. D.

Philadelphia

Rev. Mr. Beck.

New York Dec. 8. 1836

My dear Ducachet,

The bearer hereof is the Rev. Mr. Peck, late of Troy, but now without a charge, a very good preacher, an honest, warmhearted and unsuspecting man. He goes to Philadelphia principally to oblige me by performing a little business for me, and I wish the people of Christ Church (if no arrangements have yet been made there) to hear him; as I am of opinion they might find that he would suit them. Help him, with you, to have an opportunity to preach when they can hear him; in your own ch: or any other according to circumstances. I commend him to your kindness and leave him in your hands only expressing my entire conviction of his soundness as a churchman, & his conscientious sense of the necessity and duty of submission to constituted authority & the preservation of good order in the Church. I know that he will uphold the Bishop and give him no trouble. I am aware that Seabury (whom I love as a dear personal friend & admire as a man of commanding intellect) has been brought to the notice of Christ Church by your bishop & Mr. Peck knows it too: but

you must not therefore infer that my mind in writing now is to interfere with him. Far from it. Neither Mr. Peck nor I would do any thing adverse to Seabury. If therefore Christ Church is pleased with Mr. S. and disposed to invite him, so be it: we will both rejoice in his prosperity. Inasmuch however as few things can be less certainly calculated on than the taste of a congregation in the matter of preaching, I write in behalf of Peck, that you may help him if need be to do for himself what a christian minister may honourably do to procure a charge: what is dishonourable he will not be disposed to do.— And now for my business.— There is a box of MSS: and printed journals of Conventions &c which belong to the Church & which were under the care of Bishop White & by him deposited first in the tower of Christ Church, & latterly, as he said, in that of St. James. When I was appointed by the last Gen.l Convention conservator of documents &c, the care of these papers devolved on me, & poor brother James promised to take care of the box for me until I called for it. During my absence abroad both Bp. White & James died, & I feel concerned about the papers. Mr. Peck has promised to bring them on to me, as I wish to have them bound & placed with the set which I have, and I want you to help him to find them.— They are deposited in the tower or lumber room of some one of the city churches & I think it will be found they are at St. James'. The box is a red one & has this peculiarity that the lid on top opens but half way, the hinges being in the middle of the lid. Pray help him to find them. With love to all y.r household, I am my dear Ducachet

affectionately Yours F. L. Hawks.

The Rev. Henry W. Ducachet

Philadelphia

Rev. W. Peck

Recommendatory
of Rev Isaac Peet &c

1836

Mord. Kempton Esq.

Front St. near Market

M. Kempton Esq.

D Sir

You will please reserve for me the Pew of which I spoke to you last evening (if not disposed of by Monday next) at the price mentioned say 6% on $80 + the usual charge for four sittings.

Yr respectfully.
Wade T. Smith
Dec. 9. 36

M Kempton Esq.

Wm Oliver

Dec 9. 1836

Wade J. Smith

Note respecting Peace

on Watt Wall

for William Oliver

To the Vestry of Christ Church.

For myself & Wife (Elizabeth L. Travis, the only legal Representative in the United States of John & Elizabeth Travis dec^{d}) I relinquish to Thomas Cadwalader all claim to sittings in the Pews Nos 8. & 10. late No^{s} 36.

Wm Cochran

Philad^{a} 13. Dec: 1836.

My dear Sir;

In reply to your note of to day, I would state that by Divine permission I expect to officiate in your Church on next Sunday afternoon.

It will give me much pleasure to see you at 44 Plum St. whenever your convenience may permit.

I am, very respectfully,
Yours &c
John Coleman

Thursday night.
Dec. 15

M. Kempton, Esq.

M. Kempton, Esq.
Plum St.

Arch St. 20. Dec: 1836.

Gentlemen

I request that the sittings to which the late Mr & Mrs Travis were entitled in Christ Church may be transferred into my name – I having for many years paid the whole Rent of the Pew No 36 – was 8 & 10.

I presume the written release will be sufficient –

respectfully your ob: Servt

F. Caldwalader

To the Vestry of Christ Church.

W. Cadwalader
on the subject of
Mr Irons Settling
in Ch Ch

agreed to by Vestry
Feb 20 — 1837

To the Vestry
of Christ Church

To the Warden of Christ Church

I wish you to dispose of my

Pew in Christ Church

Philad: 29 December 1836

John Redman Coxe

29 Decemb 1836

Authorizing to deepen
y Pews No. South
aisle Christ Church
John Redmen Capt

[1836]

My dear Sir

I returned yesterday from New York - in company with the Rev Mr Peck, who will oversee Sunday in Philadelphia. Should you have no Catholic provision for St Chs for Sunday next, I have no doubt Mr P. would officiate for you. He is at the Mansion House in 3d St. Please to let me know by bearer of this if you are provided with a Catholic -

Mr Chas Constable
Front St.

Sincerely yrs
W. H. Dickinson